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Memorandum

Anne Badgley, Regional Director

Fish and Wildlife Service, Region 1

From:

To:

Willie R. Taylor, Director

Office of Environmental Policy and Compliance

Subject:

Designation of Authorized Official for Natural Resource Damage Assessment and

Restoration Activities associated with Tesoro Hawaii SPM Oil Spill, Pacific

Ocean, Kauai and Oahu, HI

Under the authority delegated in 207 DM 6.3.B, and the provisions of 521 DM § 2.2.J(4), Bureau Heads, when designated, act on behalf of the Secretary as the Authorized Official (AO) in conducting natural resource damage assessment and restoration activities. Such authority may be redelegated but no lower than to the Regional Director or equivalent. The Director, Fish and Wildlife Service, in Director's Order No. 104, has delegated her AO authorities and responsibilities (including the authority to concur with designation of AOs) to Fish and Wildlife Service Regional Directors.

Attached is a memorandum signed by the Bureau Head or their designee with program responsibilities affected by the below listed activity. Pursuant to 521 DM § 2.2.J(4), the Regional Director, Fish and Wildlife Service, Region 1, is hereby designated as Authorized Official for the following natural resource damage assessment and restoration activity:

Tesoro Hawaii Oil Spill, Pacific Ocean, Kauai and Oahu, Hawaii, natural resource damage assessment and restoration activities.

Attachment (1)

cc:

NRDAR Program Manager

NRDAR Work Group

NRDAR RCs

Field Solicitor - San Francisco file - NRDAR AO designations



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MEMORANDUM

To:

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Regional Director

Fish and Wildlife Service, Region 1

Portland, OR

ATTN: Roger Helm, Regional NRDAR Coordinator

From:

Patricia Sanderson Port

Regional Environmental nofficer

Office of Environmental Policy and Compliance

San Francisco, CA

Date:

May 26, 1999

Subject:

Designation of Authorized Official for Natural Resource Damage Assessment and Restoration Activities associated

with the Tesoro Hawaii SPM Hose Oil Spill, Pacific

Ocean, Kauai and Oahu, Hawaii

Pursuant to the Fish and Wildlife Service's request of May 24, 1999, I have prepared the attached draft memorandum to designate the Regional Director, Fish and Wildlife Service, Region 1, as the Authorized Official (AO) for natural resource damage assessment and restoration (NRDAR) activities associated with the August 24, 1998, Tesoro Hawaii Single Point Mooring (SPM) hose oil spill into the Pacific Ocean, Kauai and Oahu, Hawaii.

Department of the Interior, as represented by its bureau Fish and Wildlife Service, is pursuing a natural resource damage claim for injuries to natural resources from an oil release associated with this incident, pursuant to the Oil Pollution Act of 1990 (33 USC §§ 2701 - 2761). Concurrence by the Fish and Wildlife Service in this AO designation is being sought because of the involvement of this bureau in the natural resource damage assessment and restoration.

Please review all pertinent information at your disposal in this matter and provide me with your written concurrence on the

proposed AO designation using the attached signature page by July 1, 1999.

If you have any questions about legal aspects of this matter, please contact Charles McKinley, Assistant Field Solicitor, Office of the Field Solicitor, in San Francisco, CA, Lt (415) 427-1461. If you have any questions about procedural or policy aspects of this matter, please contact Chip Demarest, Regional Coordinator for Natural Resource Damage Assessment and Restoration on my staff at (415) 427-1479.

attachments (2)

cc: Chip Demarest (OEPC, San Francisco, CA)
Charles McKinley (SOL, San Francisco, CA)
Don Palawski (FWS, Honolulu, HI)
Stephen Specht (OEPC, Washington, DC)

I concur with the designation of the Regional Director, Fish and Wildlife Service, Region 1 as the Authorized Official (AO) for NRDAR activities associated with the Tesoro Hawaii SPM hose oil spill of August 8, 1998, into the Pacific Ocean, Kauai and Oahu, Hawaii.

Acting Regional Director, Fish and Wildlife Service, Region 1 Date